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Good Morning,

Yesterday, OGWDW (with OST) received a media inquiry from Inside EPA with the below questions regarding PFOA. Since these responses may have implications across the Agency, we wanted to get feedback from your office/region before sending back.

Can you please take a look at our proposed responses and provide any edits, comments or concerns? Note, the deadline is today, but if necessary, I can ask for more time if required.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

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Question: Are all of EPA's regional offices investigating or giving notice to communities where drinking water is being reported to have PFOA levels at 0.1 parts per billion or higher, given EPA's Jan. 28 decision at Hoosick Falls to apply 0.1 ppb, rather than 0.4 ppb as a health advisory?

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Question: Will EPA be recommending bottled water or alternate water sources in those identified places as well (where 0.1 ppb PFOA or higher has been discovered)?

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Question: Is EPA replying to a Feb.16 letter from attorney Rob Bilott (who previously led a lawsuit over PFOA contamination at a DuPont, WV facility) asking about this?

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